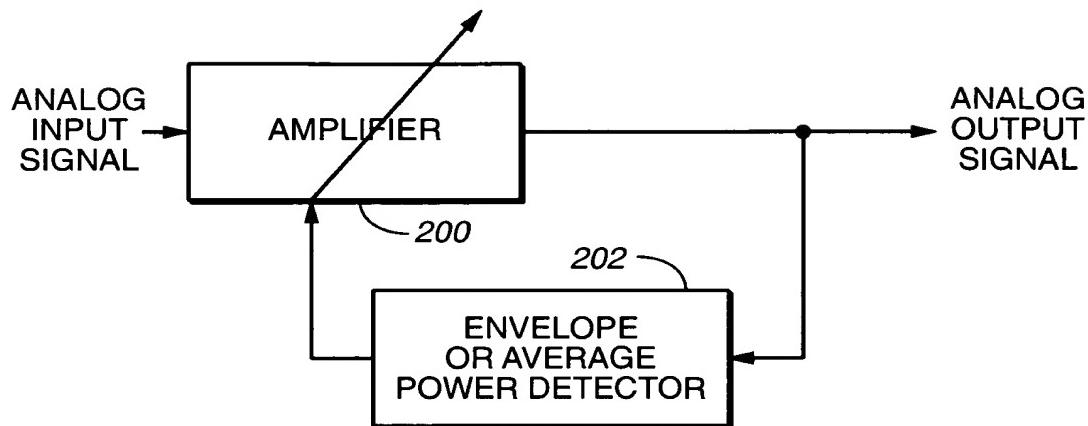


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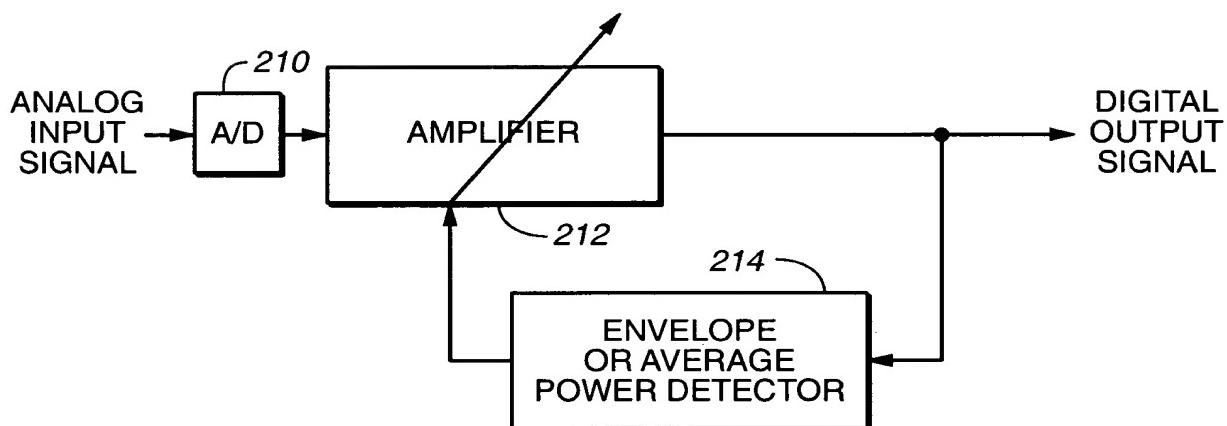


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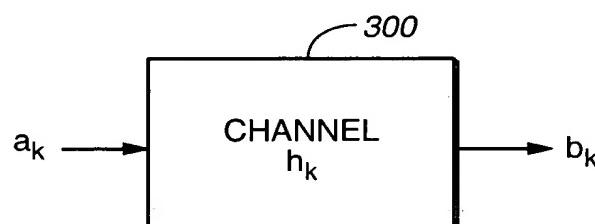
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**FIG.\_2A**  
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**FIG.\_2B**  
(PRIOR ART)



**FIG.\_3**

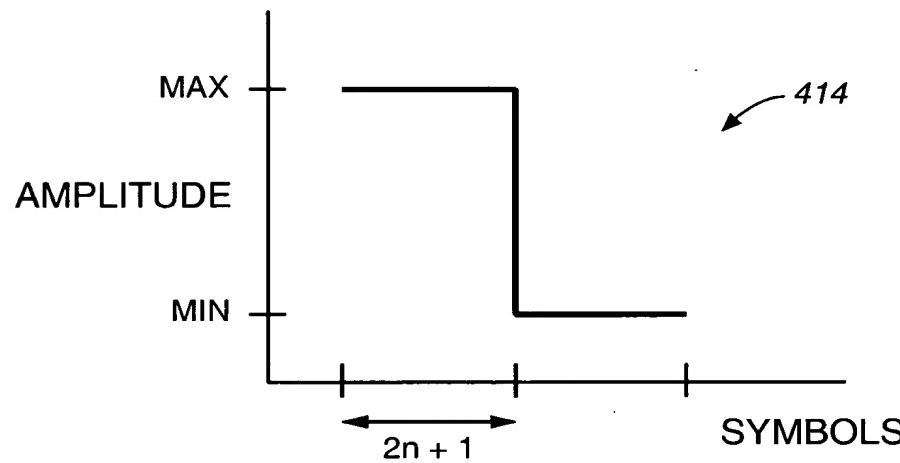
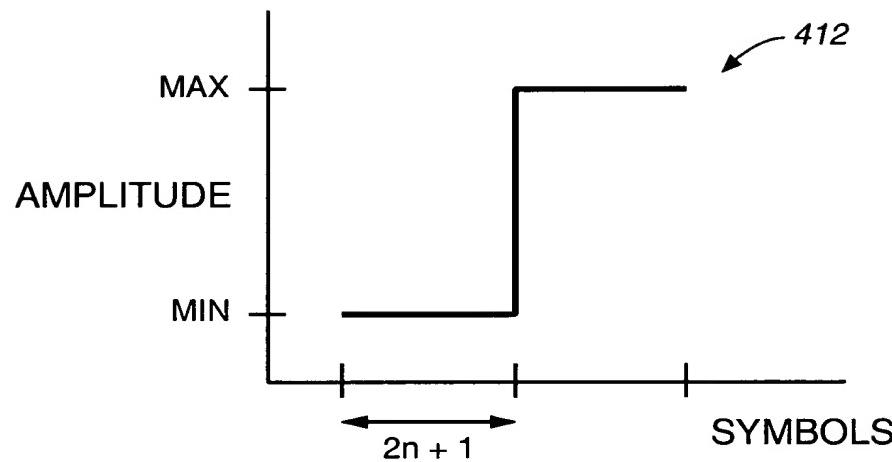


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**FIG.\_4A**

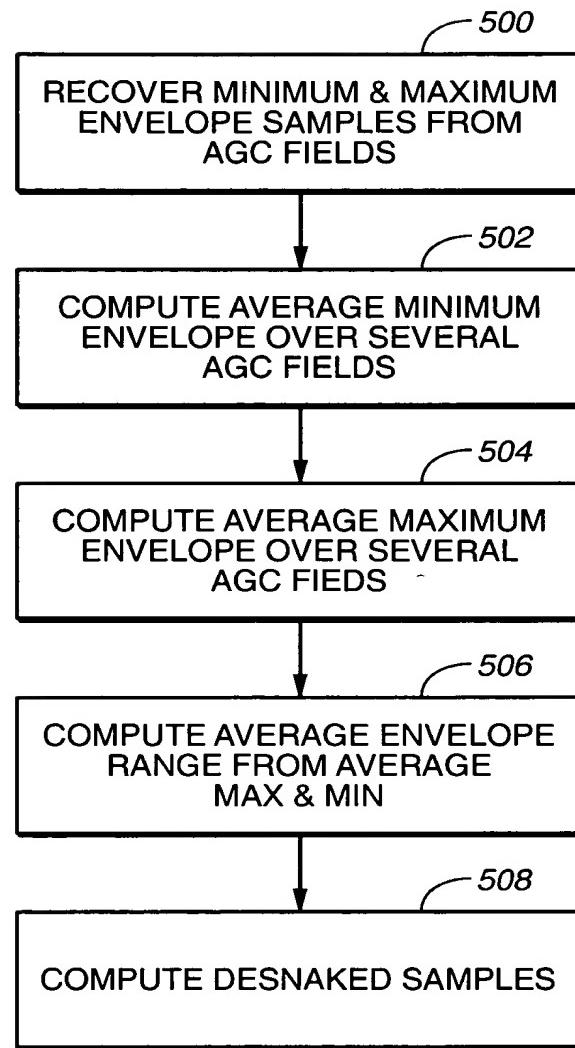


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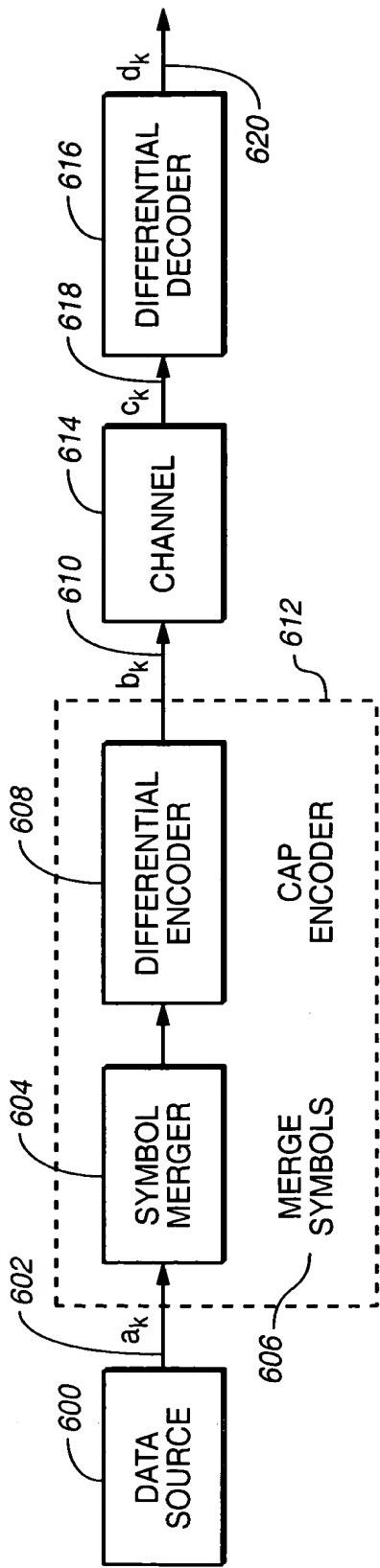


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***FIG.\_5***



**FIG.\_6A**

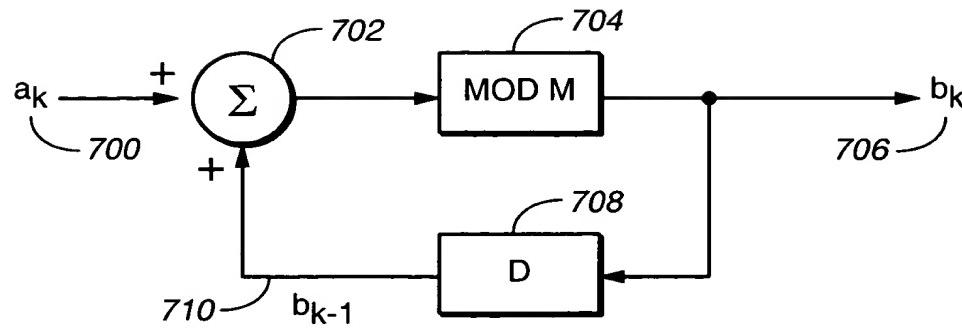
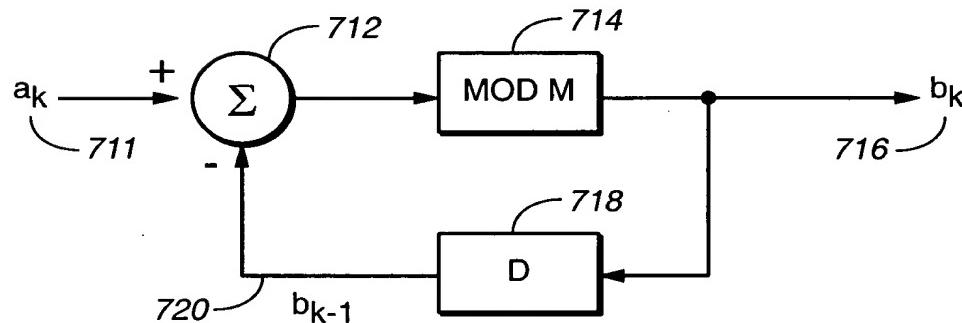
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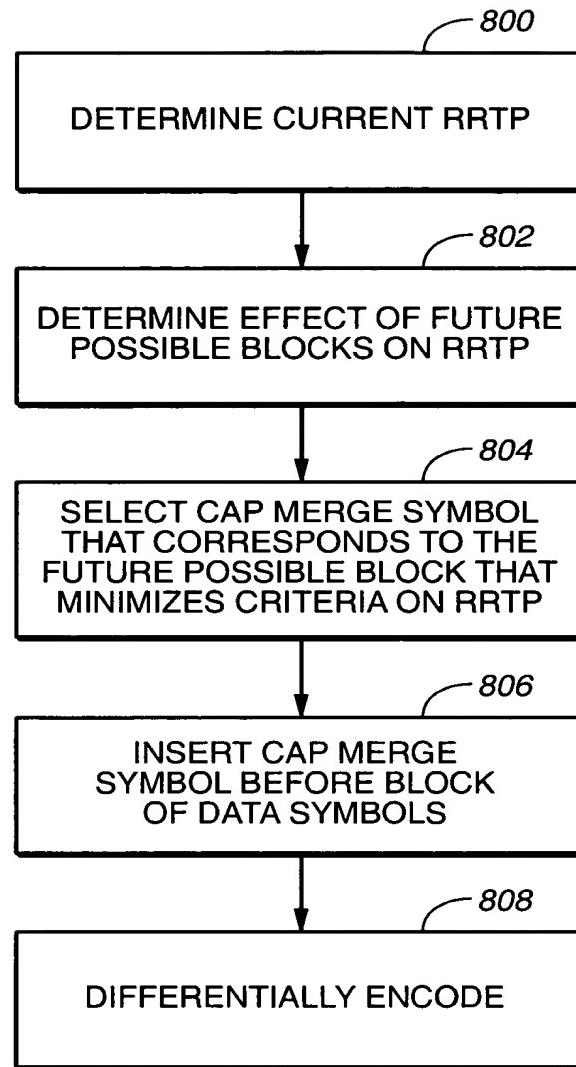
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**FIG.\_7A****FIG.\_7B**

**FIG.\_8A**



NO. OF LEVELS M : 4  
 PREVIOUS OUTPUT LEVEL : 0  
 INPUT BLOCK : 0 1 3 2  
 CURRENT RRTP : -2

## CANDIDATE MERGE SYMBOL 0

$a_k$	0	0	1	3	2	
$b_k$	0	0	0	1	0	2
DV ( $b_k$ )	-3	-3	-1	-3	+1	
DSS ( $b_k$ )	9	9	1	9	1	
RRTP	-2	+2	+6	+2	+6	+2

→ ENDING / RRTP / = 6  
 MAX / RRTP / = 6

## CANDIDATE MERGE SYMBOL 1

$a_k$	1	0	1	3	2	
$b_k$	0	1	1	2	1	3
DV ( $b_k$ )	-1	-1	+1	-1	+3	
DSS ( $b_k$ )	1	1	1	1	9	
RRTP	-2	-6	-10	-14	-18	-14

→ ENDING / RRTP / = 14  
 MAX / RRTP / = 18

## CANDIDATE MERGE SYMBOL 2

$a_k$	2	0	1	3	2	
$b_k$	0	2	2	3	2	0
DV ( $b_k$ )	+1	+1	+3	+1	-3	
DSS ( $b_k$ )	1	1	9	1	9	
RRTP	-2	-6	-10	-6	-10	-6

→ ENDING / RRTP / = 6  
 MAX / RRTP / = 10

## CANDIDATE MERGE SYMBOL 3

$a_k$	3	0	1	3	2	
$b_k$	0	3	3	0	3	1
DV ( $b_k$ )	+3	+3	-3	+3	-1	
DSS ( $b_k$ )	9	9	9	9	1	
RRTP	-2	+2	+6	+10	+14	+10

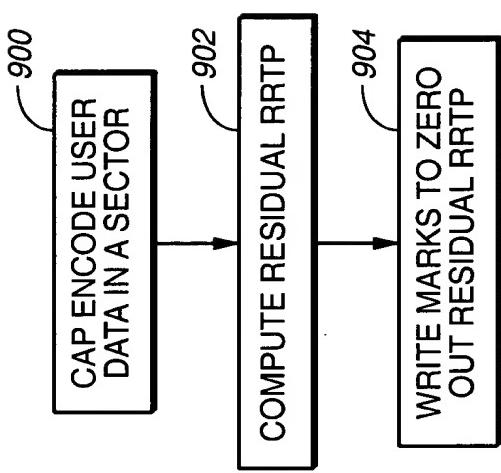
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 MAX / RRTP / = 14

**FIG.\_8B**



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**FIG.\_9A**

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**FIG.\_9B**

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